



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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Jack Hanson, Treasurer  
Pioneer Political Action Committee  
412 First Street, SE, Suite 100  
Washington, DC 20003

Identification Number: C00325357

Reference: 12 Day Pre-General Report (10/1/00-10/18/00)

Dear Mr. Hanson:

On May 2, 2001, you were notified that a review of the above-referenced report(s) raised questions as to specific contributions and/or expenditures, and the reporting of certain information required by the Federal Election Campaign Act.

Your May 7, 2001, response is incomplete because you have not provided all the requested information. For this response to be considered adequate, the following information is still required.

-In a letter to the Commission you state "you indicated that we are not permitted to engage in exempt activities and we have not. However, your form H2 does not permit the designation of an activity as administrative." Please be advised, Schedule H2 is used for shared federal and non-federal fundraising, exempt, and direct candidate support activity. The ratio for administrative expenses is derived from the Schedule H1. Please refer to the instructions contained on the forms when preparing your next filing.

Furthermore, you state "we will amend schedules H4 and show these expenditures as administrative". However, this change has made your EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE calculations for administrative/voter drive incorrect. EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE totals for administrative and voter drive costs are derived by aggregating all disbursements during the calendar year for the whole administrative/voter drive category, not by individual purpose such as "Consultant Fundraising" or "Office Rent". Please amend your report by providing the correct administrative/voter drive EVENT YEAR-TO-DATE totals.

Please note, it appears your Schedule H3 was also affected by this change; please amend your report accordingly to disclose the appropriate transfers-in as administrative.

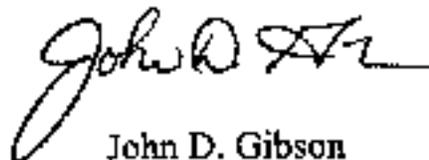
-Payments made to credit card companies must identify the original vendors from which you have purchased an item or service if your payments to these vendors have exceeded \$200 this year. Please amend your report by providing the mailing address, date, amount and purpose of such payments as required by 11 CFR §104.9(b).

-Please amend Schedule B supporting Line 23 by providing the office sought (House or Senate) for ALL contributions made. Please note, the designation of **House, Senate or President** must be included when identifying "office sought" for federal candidates. 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3)(ii) and (v)

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by June 13, 2001. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.** Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

If you should have any questions related to this matter, please contact Antoinette Kitchen on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



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